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**'I am with you in your problems and your fight' - Governor to
Tirapians**

Continuing with his mission of visiting the troubled districts of the State, the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. Gen (Retd) Nirbhay Sharma visited Khonsa on 8th June 2013. He had earlier visited Changlang on 6th June 2013.

The Governor advised the security forces to help instil a sense of security amongst the people and suggested more Civil Army interaction programmes like Army Melas, Sadbhavana projects, medical camps and educational initiatives in interior villages. The Governor emphasized that concrete efforts should be made to bring back misguided other youth into the national mainstream.

In his second district tour, the Governor while addressing a huge gathering at Khonsa main ground, stated that the district has a huge potential in tourism, but for development, peace is a prerequisite; he appealed to the people to stand united against people with vested interests. The Governor assured them that he is with the people in the fight against anti national and anti social elements.

The former member of Union Public Service Commission, Lt. Gen Sharma earlier flagged off the 'Shiksha Ka Haq Abhiyan' Rath and launched the Education Awareness Mission. He expressed confidence that the Rath will carry the message of 'Right to Education' to every nook and corner of the district.

The Governor urged upon the teachers, elites of the society, Gaon Burahs and parents to ensure that each child has an opportunity to avail full time elementary education of satisfactory and equitable quality in a formal school which satisfies certain essential norms and standards. It should be taken on war footing and special drives must be there for readmission of drop outs and adult education, he added.

Pointing out that Tirap has the lowest female literacy rate in the State, the Governor said that if you educate a child, you educate a person but if you educate a girl child you educate an entire family.

Speaking on the occasion Speaker of the State Legislative Assembly Shri Wanglin Lowangdong said that with the Governor's special attention towards the district, there will be special emphasis on developmental activities in the district

and the district will move towards peace and tranquillity. Local MLA Shri Kamthok Lowang also addressed the gathering.

Earlier Tirap Deputy Commissioner Shri Sachin Shinde apprised the Governor on the law and order and development scenarios of the district. He also highlighted the several new initiatives of the district administration.

The First lady of the State Smti Jyotsna Sharma released the Namsang Borduria Fund Trust souvenir titled 'Tirap' on the occasion. A colourful cultural presentation was made by Nocte and Wancho cultural troupes.

Later the first couple visited stalls which were put up by district administration, NGOs and Madras Regiment of the Army as a part of the event at the ground.

During his day-long visit, the Governor also addressed the district officials in the DC's office and asked them to take extra care to ensure that people oriented programmes are implemented in true letter and spirit. The infrastructure projects should be completed within time frame and highest quality standards should be maintained. He reviewed the development projects in the district especially in the sphere of road communication and infrastructure.

The District Officers apprised the Governor of the problems in their respective sectors, like shortage of medical officers, accommodations for teachers and inadequate funds for agriculture and horticulture activities.

Later, the Governor accompanied by the First lady of the State Smti Jyotsna Sharma and Secretary to Governor Shri Ankur Garg visited the renowned girls' school, the Ramakrishna Sarada Mission School, Khonsa and interacted with the students and Mataji. He advised the student to learn good human values and spread the message to the society. He also encouraged them to be sincere and work hard for a bright future.

The Governor laid the foundation stone of a 3 lac litres Rain Water Harvesting project in the school campus. As a token of love, the Governor announced five 1000 litres solar water heaters for the students in their hostels.

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